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DUI CHECKPOINT THURSDAY, MAY 3, 2012

The Tucson Police Department was recently awarded a grant from the Governor's Office of Highway Safety for the purpose of conducting sobriety checkpoints over the upcoming summer months. The first sobriety checkpoint will be conducted during the evening hours of Thursday, May 3rd, 2012. The checkpoint will be conducted within the city limits of Tucson and in an area that has a high number of DUI related collisions.

Our goal is to reduce the number of collisions that involve impaired drivers and to lower the injuries and deaths associated with these types of collisions. By conducting the checkpoint, we will be able to increase the awareness of motorists about the dangers of impaired driving, deter those who may be impaired from driving, and detect and investigate DUI offenses at the checkpoint.

Members of the media wishing to attend the checkpoint will be accommodated. The checkpoint location will be revealed at a briefing on Thursday, May 3rd, at 8:00 p.m. The briefing will be held at the Operations Division West Substation located at 1310 W. Miracle Mile. Members of the media will be asked to keep the location of the checkpoint confidential.

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